ration of Rural Water Supply Projects in the two States.

[*English*]

Allegations Against IAS Officers

4851. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of I.A.S. officers against whom certain charges/allegations have been levelled and enquiries are being conducted at present;

(b) the details of the allegations/charges levelled against each of them; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken against such officers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Shifting of Location of Sugar Factory in Gujarat

4852. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Gujarat has requested change of location for the proposed new Sugar Factory from Rohid Tehsil, Hansot, District Bharuch to Kosamba, Tehsil, Mangrol, District Surat; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Licensing Policy guidelines are presently being reviewed by the Government. The request for change of location would be considered after the aforesaid review.

[*Translation*]

Vacancies of Reserved Posts in IAS and IPS

4853. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts reserved in Indian Administrative Service (IAS) and Indian Police Service (IPS) cadres lying Vacant, State-wise; and

(b) the time by which the said vacancies are likely to be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b). In the Indian Administrative Service and the Indian Police Service no posts are reserved exclusively for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. However while making direct recruitment to these Services vacancies are reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the proportion of 15% and 7 1/2% respectively. All such reserved vacancies are filled up on the basis of Civil Services Examination conducted by UPSC every year.

Expenditure on Advertisements by Cigarette manufacturing Companies

4854. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that cigarette manufacturing companies in the country spend a huge amount on adver-

tisements and publicity as a result of which the prices of cigarettes are increasing;

(b) if so, the amount spent on the publicity and advertisement of the packets of each cigarette company;

(c) whether the Government contemplate to check the increasing prices of cigarettes by imposing a ban on the expenditure on publicity incurred by these companies;

(d) if so, whether any steps have been taken in this regard so far; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) and (b). Government is aware that the cigarette companies do incur certain expenditure on advertisement. However, no centralized information regarding such specific expenditures of each cigarette company is available.

(c) to (e). No, Sir. There is no statutory control on prices of cigarettes and neither is it considered essential to bring the industry under such a price control.

[*English*]

Plan Funds to Public Sector Undertakings

4855. DR. ASIM BALA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the guidelines for sanctioning the Plan funds to Public Sector Undertakings;

(b) whether the sanctioned plan funds have to be utilised only for specific purposes;

(c) whether any utilisation certificate/ proforma has to be submitted quarterly/half-yearly by the Undertakings to the Union Government against the sanctioned money and its utilisation;

(d) if so, the details of the points involved while submitting the certificate;

(e) whether any undertaking can utilise the plan money for other purposes also; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Plan funds to public sector undertakings are sanctioned on the basis of projects/proposals received from the concerned administrative Ministries/Departments and after examining in consultation with them.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

Real Income of a Farmer

4856. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the latest ratio of average income from Agricultural sector to non-Agricultural sector as compared to that in 1970-71;

(b) whether the real income of a farmer is coming down as compared to the people working in other sectors of the economy; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to increase the real income of the farmer?